GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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POLICY ON CADRE TRANSFER
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the extent policy on inter-cadre transfer of IPS officers which came into force in 1995 does not permit cadre change on the ground of public interest;

(b) it so, whether All India Civil Service Rules have been accordingly amended and public interest now is no more a ground for cadre change;

(c) if so, whether the policy before 1995 on inter-cadre transfer of IPS officers envisaged public interest as a ground for cadre-change;

(d) if so, the names of those IPS officers whose cases of cadre change in public interest were examined before 1995 but projected as not been covered under the said policy;

(e) the factors taken into account for projecting these cases as not being covered under the policy before 1995 leading to rejection of these cases;

(f) whether any cadre transfer were denied under the same policy to any IPS/IAS officers; and
(g) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): The present policy relating to inter cadre transfer of All India Services officers which has come into existence w.e.f. 19.9.95, provide for change of cadres of the Members of the Service on ground of marriage between the two all India Service officers borne on different cadres provided the transferee does not get transferred to his/her home State. In addition, the policy also provides for change of cadres on ground of extreme hardship when the nature of problem is such that State to State deputation will not solve the problem.

(b): The policy relating to inter-cadre transfer of All India Service officers is not in conflict with the statutory provisions and as such no amendment in the statutory provisions relating to inter cadre transfers is, called for.

(c): Upto 1985, inter-cadre transfers of All India Services officers were allowed on ground of
(i) public interest,
(ii) when two All India Service(s) officers borne on different cadres marry, and
(iii) when it is established to the satisfaction of the Govt. that the climate of the State of Allotment is definitely injurious to the health of an officer or his wife or dependent children. On 23.5.1985, the policy was further revised and the ground of cadre change was made only for marriage between two AIS officers borne on different Cadres with a provision that the cadre will not be changed to the home State of either of the officers.

(d) & (e): During 1993 case of an IPS officer namely Dr. Rajwant Singh, IPS (AP:85) who was already on inter cadre deputation to Punjab from Andhra Pradesh, was considered for change of cadre from Andhra Pradesh to Punjab as a special case. However, the Central Govt. keeping in view the over-all merit of the case, decided not to change his cadre and instead extended the period of State to State deputation of the officer.

(f) & (g): Inter cadre transfers to IPS/IAS officers, under the above policies in force at relevant point of time were not denied provided the concerned State Governments and the Central Government were satisfied of the merit of the case.